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VVB Kunstfaser Monthly Report for October 1950.

VVB	Type of Goods	Planned Production tons/month	Actual Production tons/month	Waste Per cent
Spinnfaser Glauchau	W. Rayon wool	1,260	1,267	0.6
Spinnfaser Glauchau	B. Rayon wool	120	126	1.2
Zellwolle Schwarza	W. Rayon wool	2,190	2,196	0.7
Zellwolle Schwarza	B. Rayon wool	108	111	1.0
Zellwolle Schwarza	Perlon fiber	33	75	1.3
Zellwolle Schwarza	Perlon bristles	3,540 kg	3,630 kg	---
Kunstseide Pirna	Rayon	111	120	1.0
Kunstseide Pirna	Cord silk	540	108	0.6
Kunstseide Elsterberg	Rayon	138	141	1.4

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VVB	Type of Goods	Planned Production tons/month	Actual Production tons/month	Waste Per cent
Zellwolle Plauen	W. Rayon wool	1,086	1,092	0.7
Zellwolle Wittenberg	W. Rayon wool	1,140	1,206	0.8
Kunstseide Pirna	Cuprammonium silk	117	72	0.8
Total VVB	W. Rayon wool	5,676	5,757	0.7
" "	B. Rayon wool	228	237	1.0
" "	Rayon	249	261	1.2
" "	Perlon fiber	33	45	1.3
" "	Cord Perlon	540	108	0.6
" "	Perlon bristles	3,540 kg	3,630 kg	—
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Zellwolle Schwarza	CS ₂ to (sic)	1,203	1,230
Zellwolle Wittenberg	CS ₂ to (sic)	648	657
Total		1,851	1,887

Zellwolle Schwarza	H ₂ SO ₄	2,700	2,748
Kunstseide Fremnitz	H ₂ SO ₄	2,130	2,139
Total		4,830	4,887

The supply of pyrites for the production of sulphuric acid was satisfactory; 1,800 tons of pyrites were supplied.

Firm: Schwarza Pirna Elsterberg Glauchau Wittenberg Fremnitz

Accidents	—	0.01%	0.01%	—	—	—
Sickness	0.9%	0.6%	0.7%	0.8%	0.54%	1.2%

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VVB	Type of Goods	Planned Production tons/month	Actual Production tons/month
Kunstseide Prennitz	Active carbon to gasoline	117.0	201

Production and markets were good. Deliveries were made to CSR and Poland. At the end of October, 112.3 tons were in stock.

VVB	Type of Goods	Planned Production tons/month	Actual Production tons/month	Remarks
Kunstseide Prennitz	Doll's hair	15.3	15.9	Lustrous

There was a great demand from the toy industry for this article during October, and it was possible to deliver considerable quantities. It will be impossible to produce enough to satisfy all consumers unless plant extensions are carried out to insure an increase in production by ten tons per month.

VVB	Type of Goods	Planned Production tons/month	Actual Production tons/month
Zellwolle Schwarza	Formalin	117	171

Fifty-three tons are now in stock. Production is expected to be restricted by 2 per cent in November.

Status of the Work Brigades

Firm	Total	Male	Female	Per cent Increase in Work
Schwarza	68	46	22	62
Glauchau	55	34	21	37
Elsterberg	61	33	28	46
Pirna	46	16	30	31
Plauen	41	26	15	28
Mittenberg	68	37	31	22
Total:	339	192	147	41

It is hoped that 400 brigades will be formed by the end of November.

Type of Cellulose	On hand	Received	Used	Balance
Fir	7,250 to	4,000 to	4,200 to	8,050 to
Beech	3,340 to	4,100 to	3,900 to	3,540 to
Total:	10,590 to	9,100 to	8,100 to	11,590 to

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As a result of satisfactory supplies, the production situation has improved. Under these circumstances it should be possible to continue production of good quality cellulose. Wolfen delivered 2,100 tons and Porskendorf (sic) 2,000 tons. Imports from Eastern European countries amounted to 4,520 tons.

Rayon wool production (W Type) Production has decreased by one per cent since September. This was due to a breakdown of one of the boilers, which lasted 22 hours. Wastage decreased 0.39 per cent.

Rayon wool production (B Type) There was a drop in production here. This was caused by the breakdown of two machines.

Viscose production (Viscose) Spinning was confined principally to low titer. The quality of the rayon was good.

Cuprammonium silk Four additional machines were put into operation. There is sufficient "linters" cellulose in stock for about 10 days.

Cord silk Five additional spinning machines have been installed. It is hoped to add four more in November, which will bring the total up to 37. Manufacture of cord silk has now become a priority task. Those responsible for further processing are satisfied with the quality, but an improvement in the fiber strength is desirable.

Perlon fiber, Schwarzza Good progress was made in the construction of the perlon stocking plant. The experimenting machine is already working. The stockings produced in the experimental stage were good.

Titanium dioxide There is no difficulty in obtaining this; 160 tons are in stock.

Zinc white There is sufficient material for 60 days.

Yeast production In October, 237 tons of yeast and 152 tons of waste yeast were produced, 226 tons of yeast and 145 tons of waste yeast were disposed of.

Supply of material The lead shortage remains a great problem; 102 tons were supplied but 200 tons are required for November.

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